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## GRAND JURY RETURNS INDICTMENT CHARGING LOUISVILLE MAN WITH DRUG TRAFFICKING OFFENSES

-Indictment alleges distribution of over 150 grams of crack cocaine

LOUISVILLE, KY - A federal Grand Jury in Louisville returned an Indictment on August 4, 2008, charging **Dejuane Taylor**, age 36, of 1540 South Thirtieth Street, Louisville, Kentucky, in Jefferson County, with possessing crack cocaine with the intent to distribute the substance, David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today.

The Indictment alleges that on three separate occasions - September 20, 2006, September 28, 2006 and March 14, 2007 - Taylor possessed with the intent to distribute and distributed fifty grams or more of a substance containing cocaine base, otherwise known as "crack" cocaine.

The street value of the "crack" cocaine involved in this case is \$8,500.00.

In the event of a conviction, the maximum potential penalties are life imprisonment, a \$12,000,000.00 fine, and supervised release for life; and the minimum potential penalties are 10 years imprisonment and supervised release for a period of 5 years. The Indictment also demands forfeiture of all property constituting proceeds Taylor obtained as a result of the alleged drug trafficking offenses, as well as all property Taylor may have used to commit the alleged drug trafficking offenses.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Thomas W. Dyke. The Louisville Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Louisville Metro Police Department, as part of ATF's mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

Taylor appeared for arraignment before the United States Magistrate Judge on August 6, 2008, in Louisville, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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